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Applicant(s): Ritzdorf et al.

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR LOW TEMPERATURE ANNEALING OF  
Invention: METALLIZATION MICRO-STRUCTURES IN THE PRODUCTION OF A  
MICROELECTRONIC DEVICE

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated 12 January 2006, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.